

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA  
ATLANTA DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**v.**

**RODERICK MANSON,**

**Defendant.**

**CRIMINAL ACTION FILE**

**NO. 1:17-CR-249-MHC-LTW**

**ORDER**

This action comes before the Court on the Final Report and Recommendation (“R&R”) of Magistrate Judge Linda T. Walker [Doc. 146] recommending that Defendant be found competent to stand trial. The Order for Service of the R&R [Doc. 147] provided notice that, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), the parties were authorized to file objections within fourteen (14) days of the receipt of that Order. No objections have been filed.

Absent objection, the district court judge “may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge,” 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Based upon the absence of objections to the R&R, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), the Court has reviewed the R&R for plain

error. See United States v. Slay, 714 F.2d 1093, 1095 (11th Cir. 1983). The Court finds no plain error and that the R&R is supported by law.

The Court **APPROVES AND ADOPTS** the Final Report and Recommendation [Doc. 146] as the judgment of the Court. It is hereby **ORDERED** that Defendant is **COMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL**.

It is further **ORDERED** that the time between the date the Magistrate Judge certified Defendant ready for trial on October 14, 2021, and the issuance of this Order, shall be excluded in calculating the date on which the trial of this case must commence under the Speedy Trial Act because the Court finds that the delay is for good cause, and the interests of justice in considering Defendant's potential objections to the Report and Recommendation outweigh the right of the public and the right of the Defendant to a speedy trial, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161, *et seq.*

**IT IS SO ORDERED** this 9th day of November, 2021.



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MARK H. COHEN  
United States District Judge